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Abbreviations Used in this Report

- BBS BTO/JNCC/RSPB Breeding Bird Survey
BTO British Trust for Ornithology
CI Confidence Interval
DA Disadvantaged Area
Defra Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
EFT ERAMMP Farm Type
ERAMMP Environment and Rural Affairs Monitoring & Modelling Programme
FTA Free Trade Agreement
GIS Geographical Information System
GMEP Glastir Monitoring and Evaluation Programme
JNCC Joint Nature Conservation Committee
LCM Land Cover Map
LiDAR Light Detection and Ranging
RSPB Royal Society for the Protection of Birds
SDA Severely Disadvantaged Area
UKCEH UK Centre for Ecology & Hydrology
WCP Woody Cover Product

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1 INTRODUCTION & METHODS

This technical annex explores predictions of the consequence of possible post-Brexit scenarios on bird abundance in Wales based upon models of BTO/JNCC/RSPB British Breeding Bird Survey (BBS) data. It forms part of the Environment and Rural Affairs Monitoring & Modelling Programme (ERAMMP) modelling work as can be found in ERAMMP Report-12 ‘Quick Start’ Modelling (Phase 1)¹.

1.1 Breeding Bird Survey (BBS)

The BTO/JNCC/RSPB Breeding Bird Survey (BBS) is a UK-wide survey that has been running since 1994, with the aim of monitoring population trends of the UK’s breeding birds. The survey is organised by the British Trust for Ornithology (BTO) and carried out by volunteers. Participants in the BBS count all bird species seen or heard along two parallel 1km transects within randomly-allocated 1km grid squares (chosen through random sampling, stratified by observer density). Here, we used the maximum annual count of each species per 1km grid square in Wales over a five year period (2013 – 2017), having first extracted the maximum count across visits within years) to provide a best estimate of contemporary local abundance. We chose a five year period because it provided a good amount of grid squares with BBS data, whilst remaining up-to-date.

A compromise between a short time window (minimising real population change in the focal squares) and a longer window (increasing sample size due to turnover in the sample) was important. Considering multiple years compensated for the high stochasticity in counts of all species and detection of scarcer species from the BBS method, so reduced stochastic fluctuations between squares. For analysis, we only chose species that were present in at least 30 grid squares that also contained scenario data (described below). We chose a 30-square threshold because this is a standard for producing bird trends using BBS data (e.g. Harris et al. 2018). The abundances of 58 species were predicted using this threshold.

1.2 Geographical Information System (GIS) analysis

We used various datasets to calculate the amount of different land-uses per 1km grid square, matching the variables used in generating scenarios (see below) and adding contextual variables (not subject to change under the scenarios) as were considered important, from expert judgement and subject to data availability, for accurate prediction of bird abundance. We used the Detailed River Network, a spatial dataset produced by the Environment Agency², to calculate the total length of rivers per 1km grid square in Wales.

The Land Cover Map 2015 is a dataset produced by the UK Centre for Ecology & Hydrology (UKCEH) that used satellite imagery to map habitats based on Biodiversity Action Plan Broad Habitats for the whole of the UK (Rowland et al. 2017). We used the LCM2015 to calculate the proportion of each 1km grid square to contain different land-uses.

¹ www.erahmp.wales/12

² <https://data.gov.uk/dataset/54d0c6b0-7bdc-4f66-90e7-42443b122c2e/detailed-river-network-afa036>

We chose broad habitats that were widespread (so potentially influential for national populations of birds) and that were not conflicted by other datasets used (e.g. we did not calculate the area for woodland because this would be covered by the Woody Cover Product).

The Woody Cover Product (WCP) is a dataset produced by UKCEH that used a combination of airborne radar data, satellite imagery and data from the National Forest Inventory to map large hedgerows, individual trees and small patches of woodland for the entirety of Wales. The area (ha) of each polygon was calculated by converting the raster data set to a vector data set (using the ‘raster to polygon’ tool in ArcMap) and using the ‘calculate geometry’ tool.

The Forestry Commission’s definition of a woodland is at least 0.5 ha of a stand of trees³, so we selected all polygons with an area of at least 0.5 ha. The proportion of each 1km grid square to contain woodland were then calculated. The level of afforestation (i.e. the change in woodland cover) for different Brexit scenarios (described below) were calculated and provided by UKCEH.

Finally, we used the Robust Farm Type spatial dataset provided by UKCEH that has classified farming types in Wales at the field level. The Farm types include: cereals, general cropping, dairy, lowland cattle/sheep, mixed, specialist sheep, specialist beef, various grazing in disadvantaged areas (DAs) and mixed grazing in Severely Disadvantaged Areas (SDAs). The proportion of each of these per 1km was calculated using GIS. All GIS analyses were conducted using ArcMap version 10.5.1.

1.3 Predictive modelling

Under different scenarios for post-Brexit land-use, the amounts of some of the farm types are predicted to change, as well as the level of afforestation. These scenarios can be found in ERAMMP Report-12 ‘Quickstart Modelling (Phase 1)⁴.

We first fitted generalised linear models with Poisson error structures to BBS bird count data to predict the abundance of bird species under three different Brexit scenarios: ‘no deal’, ‘EU deal’ and ‘Free Trade Agreement (FTA)’. The maximum count of the species per 1km grid square was fitted as the response variable. Fixed effects included the different land-uses and field types per 1km square: total length of rivers, and proportion of acid grassland, heather, suburban habitat, urban habitat, woodland cover, cereals, general cropping, dairy, lowland cattle/sheep, mixed, specialist sheep, specialist beef, DA various grazing and SDA mixed grazing. Once these baseline models were fit, predictions on how abundance might change under different scenarios were conducted using the *predict* function in R, using datasets containing the changed amounts of the farm types and afforestation.

This method predicted counts per 1km square under each scenario. The total count across all grid squares was then calculated so comparisons between the baseline data and the different scenarios could be made. Models were fitted for each species separately. Predictions were made for BBS squares alone, and also for all squares in Wales. Just using squares with BBS data means that the results are more precise and that predictions are not made outside the range of the data, at least spatially, but only provides predictions for a small proportion of

³<https://data.gov.uk/dataset/ae33371a-e4da-4178-a1df-350ccfcc6cee/national-forest-inventory-woodland-england-2015>

⁴www.erammp.wales/12

Wales. Using all 1km grid squares makes results formally less reliable but does provide predictions for the whole of Wales.

Once the predicted abundance of each species under the three different scenarios was calculated, the diversity of species under each scenario was calculated using Simpson's Diversity Index, where n is the number of individuals of each species and N is the total number of all individuals:

$$D = 1 - \frac{\sum n(n - 1)}{N(N - 1)}$$

The mean species diversity across all 1km grid squares in Wales, along with 95% confidence intervals, is presented. The mean diversity of species is compared among the different scenarios using ANOVA tests and post-hoc Tukey's test. Predicted abundance and species diversity under the different Brexit scenarios are reported for species listed as 'woodland' ($n = 25$), 'farmland' ($n = 9$), 'water and wetland' ($n = 5$) or 'other' ($n = 15$; i.e. those not included in any of the other indicator lists) species as reported in Defra's wild bird indicator document (Defra, 2017). The level of conservation concern ('amber' or 'red') of each species is also provided (Eaton et al. 2015).

2 RESULTS

2.1 Basic model results

The full model results for each species are shown in Annex-1; the percentage of species to show a significant positive or negative effect of the different land-uses and farm types are summarised here.

The abundance of more than half of farmland species was positively affected by mixed farm types and freshwater habitats. There was a negative effect of acid grassland, SDA mixed, specialist beef and specialist sheep on the abundance of the majority of farmland species. The abundance of all nine farmland species was negatively affected by forest cover (Table 2.1; Table 4.1).

The abundance of most woodland species was negatively affected by the amount of acid grassland and heather grassland. Conversely, the abundance of most woodland species was positively affected by the amount of forest cover (Table 2.1; Table 4.2).

The abundance of all five water and wetland species was negatively affected by dairy farm types and forest cover, and positively affected by cereal farms. The abundance of the majority of water and wetland species was negatively affected by heather grassland, SDA mixed, specialist beef and urban habitat (Table 2.1; Table 4.3).

The abundance of most ‘other’ species was positively affected by mixed farm types, but negatively affected by general cropping (Table 2.1; Table 4.4).

Table 2.1. The percentage of farmland (n = 9), woodland (n = 25), water and wetland (n = 5) and other (n = 15) species where there was a significant positive or negative effect of the various land-uses and farm types on abundance.

	Farmland		Woodland		Water and wetland		Other	
	% Positive	% Negative	% Positive	% Negative	% Positive	% Negative	% Positive	% Negative
Acid grassland	11	89	20	80	40	60	33	67
Cereals	22	78	56	44	100	0	40	60
DA various	22	78	44	56	40	60	53	47
Dairy	22	78	28	72	0	100	40	60
Woodland	0	100	84	16	0	100	27	73
Freshwater	56	44	64	36	40	60	40	60
General cropping	22	78	28	72	60	40	13	87
Heather	33	67	16	84	20	80	60	40
Lowland cattle & sheep	44	56	48	52	40	60	53	47
Mixed	67	33	64	36	40	60	80	20
River length	22	78	68	32	80	20	53	47
SDA mixed	11	89	48	52	20	80	60	40
Specialist beef	11	89	40	60	20	80	40	60
Specialist sheep	11	89	40	60	60	40	60	40
Suburban	44	56	44	56	60	40	33	67
Urban	33	67	24	76	20	80	27	73

2.2 Predicted abundance of species under different Brexit scenarios

Using models based on all 1km squares in Wales, the abundance of all farmland species, apart from greenfinch (*Carduelis chloris*), was predicted to be higher in all Brexit scenarios compared to the baseline level. This included three specialist red-listed species: linnet (*Linaria cannabina*), skylark (*Alauda arvensis*) and starling (*Sturnus vulgaris*). Indeed, starling had the highest predicted increase in abundance under all three scenarios. The abundance of greenfinch was predicted to be lower than the baseline under all scenarios (Table 2.2). Findings were similar using BBS squares only, with the addition of a model for stock dove (*Columba oenas*), for which predictions beyond the BBS dataset on which it was built were clearly unreliable. In models using BBS squares only, the abundance of greenfinch was higher than the baseline under the Brexit scenarios (Table 4.5).

Table 2.2. Predicted abundance and the percentage difference in predicted abundance from the baseline for farmland species in Wales under three different scenarios of Brexit. Blue and green shading illustrates a percentage increase and decrease, respectively, in abundance of at least 1% from the baseline. Abundances are estimated using all 1km grid squares in Wales. N = number of 1km squares that had BBS and scenario data.

Species	Generalism/ specialism	List	Baseline		No deal			EU Deal		FTA			
			N	Predicted abundance	N	Predicted abundance	Difference from baseline (%)	N	Predicted abundance	Difference from baseline (%)	N	Predicted abundance	Difference from baseline (%)
Greenfinch	Generalist		227	94,874	219	91,282	-4%	219	89,884	-5%	227	92,526	-2%
Jackdaw	Generalist		279	347,856	273	382,080	10%	273	381,329	10%	279	376,498	8%
Rook	Generalist		167	307,471	164	386,870	26%	164	380,927	24%	167	377,469	23%
Woodpigeon	Generalist		361	227,055	352	235,478	4%	352	231,015	2%	361	236,004	4%
Goldfinch	Specialist		315	160,021	308	171,105	7%	308	169,997	6%	315	168,831	6%
Linnet	Specialist	Red	212	165,030	206	177,342	7%	206	191,540	16%	212	181,233	10%
Skylark	Specialist	Red	213	242,613	207	264,026	9%	207	260,271	7%	213	272,370	12%
Starling	Specialist	Red	147	209,813	142	275,268	31%	142	272,533	30%	147	269,376	28%
Whitethroat	Specialist		225	94,178	220	98,340	4%	220	104,561	11%	225	103,791	10%

Using models based on all 1km squares in Wales, the predicted abundances of nine of 25 woodland species were at least 1% higher than the baseline under a ‘no deal’ scenario, including two amber-listed species. The abundance of 12 woodland species, including three amber-listed species and three red-listed species, was predicted to be at least 1% lower than the baseline under a ‘no deal’ scenario. The abundances of tree pipit (*Anthus trivialis*) and nuthatch (*Sitta europaea*) were predicted to be more than 20% lower under a ‘no deal’ scenario compared to the baseline (Table 2.3). Predicted abundances of woodland species were similar under an ‘EU deal’ to a ‘no deal’ scenario, though redstart (*Phoenicurus phoenicurus*) abundance was predicted to be 3% higher than the baseline under an ‘EU deal’ (Table 2.3). The abundances of 16 woodland species were predicted to be higher, and the abundances of eight species were predicted to be lower, than the baseline under an ‘FTA’ scenario. The abundance of spotted flycatcher, a red-listed specialist woodland species, was particularly lower under an ‘FTA’ scenario compared to the baseline or the other two Brexit scenarios (Table 2.3).

Using models based on BBS squares only, the abundance of the vast majority of woodland species was predicted to be lower than the baseline under all three scenarios. However, the abundances of dunnock (*Prunella modularis*) and long-tailed tit (*Aegithalos caudatus*) were predicted to be higher than the baseline under all scenarios (Table 4.6).

Table 2.3. Predicted abundance and the percentage difference in predicted abundance from the baseline for woodland species in Wales under three different scenarios of Brexit. Blue and green shading illustrates a percentage increase and decrease, respectively, in abundance of at least 1% from the baseline. Abundances are estimated using all 1km grid squares in Wales. N = number of 1km squares that had BBS and scenario data.

Species	Generalism/ specialism	List	Baseline		No deal			EU deal			FTA		
			N	Predicted abundance	N	Predicted abundance	Difference from baseline	N	Predicted abundance	Difference from baseline	N	Predicted abundance	Difference from baseline
Blackbird	Generalist	380	345,856	371	347,861	1%	371	349,324	1%	380	358,520	4%	
Blue tit	Generalist	349	223,432	341	223,093	0%	341	227,272	2%	349	226,667	1%	
Bullfinch	Generalist	207	59,294	201	59,731	1%	201	58,954	-1%	207	61,625	4%	
Chaffinch	Generalist	373	328,228	364	335,086	2%	364	342,587	4%	373	334,294	2%	
Dunnock	Generalist	Amber	351	130,209	343	147,041	13%	343	141,715	9%	351	140,938	8%
Great tit	Generalist	353	142,668	345	142,358	0%	345	146,021	2%	353	149,726	5%	
Long-tailed tit	Generalist	210	86,329	203	85,236	-1%	203	85,179	-1%	210	85,616	-1%	
Robin	Generalist	370	242,354	361	251,334	4%	361	250,224	3%	370	255,559	5%	
Song thrush	Generalist	Red	353	103,528	344	97,331	-6%	344	97,944	-5%	353	107,570	4%
Tawny owl	Generalist	Amber	31	27,707	30	26,604	-4%	30	27,339	-1%	31	27,799	0%
Wren	Generalist	385	318,443	376	330,482	4%	376	323,425	2%	385	335,141	5%	
Blackcap	Specialist	306	97,494	297	104,559	7%	297	99,127	2%	306	107,731	11%	
Chiffchaff	Specialist	334	116,361	326	110,310	-5%	326	110,298	-5%	334	113,160	-3%	
Coal tit	Specialist	213	50,922	208	48,197	-5%	208	46,365	-9%	213	55,000	8%	
Garden warbler	Specialist	165	46,407	159	42,628	-8%	159	42,855	-8%	165	43,684	-6%	
Goldcrest	Specialist	236	63,694	230	62,565	-2%	230	60,489	-5%	236	68,435	7%	
Great spotted woodpecker	Specialist	266	44,600	258	46,412	4%	258	46,833	5%	266	47,757	7%	
Green woodpecker	Specialist	125	30,843	123	28,616	-7%	123	28,936	-6%	125	28,865	-6%	
Jay	Specialist	225	42,784	220	42,818	0%	220	42,661	0%	225	43,739	2%	
Nuthatch	Specialist	214	77,404	210	60,627	-22%	210	62,325	-19%	214	64,496	-17%	
Redstart	Specialist	Amber	193	83,456	190	77,923	-7%	190	85,881	3%	193	81,020	-3%
Spotted flycatcher	Specialist	Red	81	529,479	80	511,612	-3%	80	511,619	-3%	81	392,236	-26%
Tree pipit	Specialist	Red	103	97,291	100	73,816	-24%	100	74,502	-23%	103	82,165	-16%
Tree creeper	Specialist	150	35,639	148	37,229	4%	148	37,135	4%	150	36,983	4%	
Willow warbler	Specialist	Amber	334	158,346	325	151,136	-5%	325	151,075	-5%	334	160,466	1%

Using models based on all 1km squares in Wales, the abundance of two of the five water and wetland species was predicted to be higher, and the abundance of three of the five was predicted to be lower, than the baseline under a 'no deal' scenario.

The abundance of three and two water and wetland species was predicted to be higher and lower, respectively, under both 'EU deal' and 'FTA' scenarios. Notably, the abundance of sedge warbler (*Acrocephalus schoenobaenus*) was predicted to be 43 – 70% higher than the baseline compared to the three Brexit scenarios, though sample sizes were small for this (and other) species (Table 2.4).

Findings were broadly similar using only BBS squares, with the addition of a model for moorhen that appeared unreliable when predicting beyond the BBS sample. Predicted abundances of reed bunting (*Emberiza schoeniclus*), sedge warbler and moorhen (*Gallinula chloropus*) were all particularly higher than the baseline under all Brexit scenarios (Table 4.7).

Table 2.4. Predicted abundance and the percentage difference in predicted abundance from the baseline for water and wetland species in Wales under three different scenarios of Brexit. Blue and green shading illustrates a percentage increase and decrease, respectively, in abundance of at least 1% from the baseline. Abundances are estimated using all 1km grid squares in Wales. N = number of 1km squares that had BBS and scenario data.

Species	Generalism/ specialism	List	Baseline			No deal			EU deal			FTA		
			N	Predicted abundance	N	Predicted abundance	Difference from baseline (%)	N	Predicted abundance	Difference from baseline (%)	N	Predicted abundance	Difference from baseline (%)	
Dipper	Fast flowing water	Amber	46	38,290	46	33,713	-12%	46	36,312	-5%	46	34,796	-9%	
Reed bunting	Reedbeds	Amber	91	59,007	89	73,159	24%	89	77,352	31%	91	76,650	30%	
Sedge warbler	Reedbeds		58	174,140	56	295,441	70%	56	249,655	43%	58	277,741	59%	
Mallard	Slow & standing water	Amber	158	109,780	155	94,278	-14%	155	105,315	-4%	158	104,124	-5%	
Grey heron	Other		74	30,098	71	29,387	-2%	71	34,276	14%	74	32,583	8%	

Using models based on all 1km squares in Wales, the abundance of nine of the 15 species not listed as indicator species was predicted to be at least 1% higher than the baseline under a ‘no deal’ scenario, three of which are red-listed species. Notably, the abundance of whinchat (*Saxicola rubetra*) was predicted to be 55% higher under a ‘no deal’ scenario compared to the baseline, and was higher than any of the other scenarios.

The abundance of five species, including one amber-listed species, was predicted to be lower than the baseline under a ‘no deal’ scenario (Table 2.5). The abundance of 12 species was predicted to be at least 1% higher than the baseline under an ‘EU deal’ scenario, including four red-listed species and one amber-listed species. The abundance of three species was predicted to be at least 1% lower under an ‘EU deal’ (Table 2.5).

The predicted abundances of ‘other’ species were similar in an ‘FTA’ scenario to an ‘EU deal’ scenario; though the abundance of pheasant (*Phasianus colchicus*) and whinchat were slightly lower (Table 2.5). Findings were broadly similar when using BBS squares only, though the abundances of cuckoo (*Cuculus canorus*) and grasshopper warbler (*Locustella naevia*), both red-listed species, were predicted to be lower under all three scenarios compared to the baseline (Table 4.8).

Table 2.5. Predicted abundance and the percentage difference in predicted abundance from the baseline for species not listed as habitat indicators in Wales under three different scenarios of Brexit. Blue and green shading illustrates a percentage increase and decrease, respectively, in abundance of at least 1% from the baseline. Abundances are estimated using all 1km grid squares in Wales. N = number of 1km squares that had BBS and scenario data.

Species	List	Baseline		No deal		EU deal		FTA				
		N	Predicted abundance	N	Predicted abundance	Difference from baseline (%)	N	Predicted abundance	Difference from baseline (%)	N	Predicted abundance	Difference from baseline (%)
Buzzard		296	42,041	291	38,470	-8%	291	39,716	-6%	296	38,682	-8%
Canada goose		85	235,887	83	229,035	-3%	83	224,054	-5%	85	233,590	-1%
Carriorn crow		378	338,935	371	354,578	5%	371	374,744	11%	378	344,482	2%
Collared dove		184	106,429	178	140,704	32%	178	134,191	26%	184	137,802	29%
Cuckoo	Red	169	36,181	164	36,077	0%	164	37,485	4%	169	37,585	4%
Grasshopper warbler	Red	57	42,407	57	42,628	1%	57	42,855	1%	57	43,684	3%
House sparrow	Red	275	429,730	269	531,548	24%	269	474,316	10%	275	484,452	13%
Magpie		319	137,728	313	142,406	3%	313	143,695	4%	319	140,354	2%
Meadow pipit	Amber	220	310,323	215	293,222	-6%	215	326,564	5%	220	296,732	-4%
Pheasant		250	108,738	245	95,629	-12%	245	102,735	-6%	250	102,580	-6%
Pied wagtail		308	69,792	299	73,793	6%	299	76,095	9%	308	71,587	3%
Stonechat		133	70,922	130	69,782	-2%	130	76,216	7%	133	73,288	3%
Swallow		269	169,656	263	173,440	2%	263	173,897	2%	269	172,210	2%
Wheatear		170	92,823	165	103,977	12%	165	115,481	24%	170	103,243	11%
Whinchat	Red	52	79,318	51	122,575	55%	51	82,140	4%	52	78,574	-1%

Overall, the numbers of species with predicted abundances higher than the baseline under all three scenarios were slightly higher when using all 1km squares in Wales than with BBS squares only (Table 2.6). However, the predicted abundance of more species was higher under an 'EU deal', followed by an 'FTA' scenario, compared to a 'no deal'. In other words, it is predicted that an 'FTA' scenario would produce the most positive outcome for bird abundances compared to the other scenarios.

When using models based on BBS squares only, the predicted abundance of species to have a higher and lower abundance than the baseline under the three different scenarios were similar (Table 2.6).

Table 2.6. The number of species to have a predicted change in abundance of over 1% below or above the baseline under three different scenarios of Brexit. Results are shown for models conducted using all 1km squares in Wales, and BBS squares only. Percentages are calculated using the total number of species (all squares: n = 54; BBS squares only: n = 56).

% difference from baseline	Scenario		
	No deal	EU deal	FTA
<i>All 1km squares</i>			
> +1%	28 (52%)	34 (63%)	37 (69%)
< -1%	22 (41%)	19 (35%)	16 (30%)
<i>BBS squares only</i>			
> +1%	26 (46%)	27 (48%)	27 (48%)
< -1%	29 (52%)	28 (50%)	27 (48%)

2.3 Predicted species diversity under different Brexit scenarios

The diversity of species was similar between the three different Brexit scenarios and the baseline for most groups. When considering all species, diversity was significantly different between all of the scenarios; diversity was highest in an ‘FTA’ scenario, followed by ‘no deal’, ‘EU deal’ and the baseline (ANOVA: $f_{(3,26554)} = 100.3, p < 0.001$; Table 2.7). Diversity of farmland birds was significantly higher in the baseline compared to the ‘no deal’, ‘deal’ or ‘FTA’ scenarios, and was significantly higher in an ‘EU deal’ scenario compared to a ‘no deal’ scenario (ANOVA: $f_{(3,26554)} = 23.7, p < 0.001$; Table 2.7). Diversity of woodland bird species was significantly different between all scenarios apart from a ‘no deal’ and ‘EU deal’ scenario, where diversity was the highest; diversity of woodland birds was lowest using the baseline data (ANOVA: $f_{(3,26554)} = 239.4, p < 0.001$; Table 2.7). Diversity of water and wetland birds was significantly different between all scenarios apart from an ‘FTA’ scenario and the baseline, where diversity was the highest; diversity of water and wetland birds was lowest in the ‘no deal’ scenario, followed by and ‘EU deal’ (ANOVA: $f_{(3,26554)} = 259.1, p < 0.001$; Table 2.7). Diversity of ‘other’ species was significantly different between all scenarios apart from a ‘no deal’ and ‘EU deal’ scenario. Diversity of other species was lowest using the baseline data and highest in the ‘FTA’ scenario (ANOVA: $f_{(3,26554)} = 266.9, p < 0.001$; Table 2.7). It must be noted that all differences are marginal, and only species where abundance could be predicted (i.e. those that were present in at least 30 squares) were used in diversity indices, so indices do not take in to account rarer species, which could alter the patterns observed and may be particularly important for conservation interpretation.

Table 2.7. Mean Simpson’s Diversity Index of different bird groups for each of the different scenarios of Brexit using all 1km squares in Wales. The closer the value is to 1 the higher the species diversity. Numbers in brackets show upper and lower confidence intervals.

Habitat group	Scenario			
	Baseline	No deal	EU deal	FTA
All species	0.910 (0.913,0.908)	0.932 (0.934,0.930)	0.926 (0.928,0.923)	0.937 (0.939,0.935)
Farmland	0.844 (0.845,0.843)	0.835 (0.836,0.833)	0.837 (0.839,0.836)	0.836 (0.838,0.835)
Woodland	0.897 (0.899,0.895)	0.923 (0.924,0.921)	0.923 (0.924,0.921)	0.919 (0.920,0.918)
Water and wetland	0.757 (0.759,0.755)	0.717 (0.719,0.714)	0.741 (0.743,0.739)	0.759 (0.761,0.756)
Other	0.813 (0.815,0.810)	0.839 (0.841,0.838)	0.836 (0.839,0.834)	0.856 (0.857,0.854)

3 DISCUSSION

These summary findings in note form should be seen as part of a broader discussion of the various scenarios and their effects on multiple targets.

- In general, the predicted abundance of the majority of species was highest under an ‘FTA’ or ‘EU deal’ scenario (Table 2.6), although this was marginal for most species and, when considering abundances by indicator groups, findings were broadly similar across all scenarios. Apart from a small number of species (e.g. sedge warbler, starling, whinchat), predicted changes in national abundance and diversity in Wales are generally small under all scenarios, which probably reflects the fact that species presence and abundance are more sensitive to gross landscape features such as cover of woodland, urban or water, than to field contents and management in agricultural systems (Siriwardena et al. 2012).
- All land-use changes are likely to benefit some species and to have negative effects on others. The results reflect this and underline that it is simplistic to refer to such changes as being “good” or “bad” for wildlife or biodiversity in general. Moreover, there are likely to be other effects of Brexit on wildlife that are not directly linked to changes in farm types; for example, following Brexit, some environmental legislation may be lost or weakened (e.g. implementation of legislation through agreements such as RAMSAR and the Habitats Directive)⁵. As such, results presented here only provide very crude predictions.
- Diversity indices reflect patterns of relative abundance across species and can be increased by increases or reductions in particular component species, depending upon their initial dominance within the community. In addition, a lack of change in an index can mask turnover of component species whereby the balance of numerical abundances in an area changes less than the abundances of individual species. These points need to be considered while interpreting diversity index results.
- The abundance and diversity estimates in this study are derived from raw BBS count data, which describe relative abundances within species and are not, strictly, comparable between species. This is because species vary in their detectability, both absolutely and in respect of the variation in detectability with distance from the observer. Hence, the estimates of bird population sizes provided do not represent total numbers but, rather, numbers detectable from BBS transect surveys through a 1km square. This means that populations of more cryptic or quieter species, those with less detectable females and those found in habitats with poorer visibility and/or around transmission will have been under-estimated. However, given that most species are consistent in terms of habitat selection and the proportion of their populations that is detected can be assumed to be constant, this under-estimation will not cause bias in estimates of population change. It does, however, mean that the diversity indices that have been calculated here should only be regarded as indicative, because they depend upon estimates of absolute numbers, which are not equivalent between species (for example, a count of four mute swans is more likely to be close to the real, total number present than a count of four wrens, which is likely to reflect four singing males and an unknown number of females and birds that were more distant and not detected). Further work could attempt to address this issue by

⁵ Summary of EU Exit Scenario Planning Workshops: <https://gov.wales/docs/drah/publications/180219-summary-of-eu-exit-scenario-planning-workshops-en.pdf>

estimating absolute densities using distance analysis, which the BBS dataset supports, but it is important to note that this is not a panacea, as the method includes various assumptions that may not hold.

- In this study, woody cover was considered as a single variable, i.e. combining deciduous and coniferous woodland. This is likely to have caused considerable noise and uncertainty in the analyses, because coniferous woodland in Wales will comprise entirely non-native species with low biodiversity value, whereas deciduous woodland represents the indigenous vegetation (and natural climax community from natural succession) for most of the landscape, so is likely to provide considerable value for biodiversity. Hence, predicted bird responses scenarios increasing conifer cover are likely to be unrealistically positive for most species, while those with increased deciduous cover are likely to be unrealistically negative. Improved models in which conifer and broadleaf cover and their effects are separated will be developed in future modelling work under ERAMMP.

4 ANNEX-1: FULL MODEL RESULTS FOR EACH SPECIES

Table 4.1 Results from the Poisson GLMs testing the effects of various land-uses and farm types on the abundance of farmland species.

Variable	Estimate	Std. Error	Z value	P value
Goldfinch	Acid grassland	-1.06914	0.15101	-7.07991 1.44E-12
	Freshwater	2.93168	0.512382	5.721671 1.05E-08
	Heather	0.876394	0.390825	2.242417 0.024934
	Suburban	-0.23247	0.162031	-1.4347 0.151372
	Urban	-0.59021	0.29138	-2.02556 0.04281
	River length	-1.85E-05	9.00E-06	-2.05926 0.039469
	Cereals	-0.84153	0.239238	-3.51756 0.000436
	General cropping	-0.61885	0.663698	-0.93242 0.351118
	Dairy	-0.44704	0.135815	-3.29151 0.000997
	Lowland cattle/sheep	0.31982	0.12677	2.522833 0.011641
	Mixed	1.018961	0.186691	5.458005 4.82E-08
	Specialist sheep	-0.57526	0.128329	-4.48269 7.37E-06
	Specialist beef	-0.06589	0.280233	-0.23514 0.814101
	SDA mixed	0.359949	0.151798	2.37123 0.017729
	DA various	-0.01156	0.115492	-0.10008 0.920278
	Woodland	-0.72813	0.136606	-5.33015 9.81E-08
Greenfinch	Acid grassland	-0.28265	0.322064	-0.87763 0.380143
	Freshwater	0.787243	0.855069	0.920678 0.357219
	Heather	2.465423	1.405349	1.754313 0.079377
	Suburban	0.126701	0.229146	0.552927 0.580313
	Urban	-0.65538	0.496017	-1.32129 0.186405
	River length	-5.91E-05	1.63E-05	-3.63392 0.000279
	Cereals	0.164969	0.308664	0.534461 0.593022
	General cropping	-0.83913	1.112931	-0.75398 0.45086
	Dairy	-0.37821	0.224334	-1.68592 0.09181
	Lowland cattle/sheep	0.024952	0.205612	0.121353 0.903411
	Mixed	-0.06936	0.355281	-0.19521 0.845227
	Specialist sheep	-0.62963	0.246068	-2.55875 0.010505
	Specialist beef	-0.4266	0.506488	-0.84227 0.399639
	SDA mixed	-0.21976	0.292081	-0.7524 0.451812
	DA various	-0.04533	0.19609	-0.23119 0.817166
	Woodland	-0.44318	0.224926	-1.97031 0.048803
Jackdaw	Acid grassland	-0.86564	0.100373	-8.62426 6.45E-18
	Freshwater	0.330797	0.571813	0.578505 0.562923
	Heather	-1.03161	0.498874	-2.06788 0.038651
	Suburban	1.423786	0.0806	17.66485 7.82E-70
	Urban	-2.22038	0.231153	-9.60569 7.56E-22
	River length	-1.05E-05	6.23E-06	-1.68876 0.091265
	Cereals	-1.5455	0.193547	-7.98513 1.40E-15
	General cropping	-2.68619	1.158634	-2.31841 0.020427
	Dairy	0.393092	0.084315	4.662187 3.13E-06
	Lowland cattle/sheep	0.154148	0.094669	1.628294 0.103462
	Mixed	0.421522	0.143435	2.938772 0.003295
	Specialist sheep	-0.22847	0.086294	-2.64754 0.008108
	Specialist beef	-1.18196	0.269944	-4.37855 1.19E-05
	SDA mixed	-0.21655	0.120552	-1.79633 0.072442
	DA various	-0.48528	0.087371	-5.55426 2.79E-08
	Woodland	-0.84902	0.117412	-7.23111 4.79E-13
Linnet	Acid grassland	-0.35169	0.123638	-2.84454 0.004448
	Freshwater	-3.14601	1.34538	-2.33838 0.019367
	Heather	-1.09069	0.314024	-3.47328 0.000514
	Suburban	0.368588	0.262537	1.403947 0.160335
	Urban	-2.84562	0.746169	-3.81364 0.000137
	River length	-0.00011	1.39E-05	-7.94018 2.02E-15
	Cereals	-0.55948	0.288747	-1.93762 0.052669
	General cropping	1.056225	0.61319	1.722509 0.084977
	Dairy	-0.13272	0.154116	-0.86116 0.389149
	Lowland cattle/sheep	-0.15586	0.190099	-0.81988 0.412285

Variable	Estimate	Std. Error	Z value	P value
Mixed	0.49257	0.224216	2.196851	0.028031
Specialist sheep	0.03687	0.132002	0.279313	0.780005
Specialist beef	-2.13558	0.632956	-3.37398	0.000741
SDA mixed	-0.08118	0.200704	-0.40448	0.685862
DA various	0.380764	0.132686	2.869661	0.004109
Woodland	-1.96405	0.214639	-9.15048	5.67E-20
Acid grassland	-1.0825	0.147535	-7.33723	2.18E-13
Freshwater	-5.86087	1.313099	-4.46339	8.07E-06
Heather	-23.0638	6.389475	-3.60965	0.000307
Suburban	-2.54546	0.264432	-9.62612	6.20E-22
Urban	-1.4091	0.511155	-2.7567	0.005839
River length	-1.11E-05	1.03E-05	-1.07829	0.280905
Cereals	-2.8081	0.300032	-9.35935	8.02E-21
Rook	General cropping	1.336869	0.913106	1.46409
Dairy	-0.25759	0.106564	-2.41726	0.015638
Lowland cattle/sheep	-0.25742	0.113912	-2.25982	0.023833
Mixed	0.026466	0.158491	0.16699	0.867378
Specialist sheep	-0.42836	0.108551	-3.94618	7.94E-05
Specialist beef	-0.61355	0.244996	-2.50433	0.012268
SDA mixed	-0.33104	0.14608	-2.26617	0.023441
DA various	-1.44248	0.122663	-11.7597	6.29E-32
Woodland	-1.2279	0.163974	-7.48838	6.97E-14
Skylark	Acid grassland	0.946586	0.074947	12.63009
Freshwater	-1.889	0.653935	-2.88867	0.003869
Heather	-0.27312	0.140042	-1.95024	0.051148
Suburban	-4.11945	0.630039	-6.5384	6.22E-11
Urban	2.863901	0.879902	3.254794	0.001135
River length	5.46E-06	9.71E-06	0.562974	0.573452
Cereals	-1.48993	0.345092	-4.31748	1.58E-05
	General cropping	-1.79641	0.964798	-1.86196
Dairy	-0.85968	0.16618	-5.17315	2.30E-07
Lowland cattle/sheep	-0.60003	0.209694	-2.86146	0.004217
Mixed	-0.07547	0.24528	-0.30767	0.758332
Specialist sheep	-0.7868	0.071008	-11.0804	1.56E-28
Specialist beef	-1.19273	0.311671	-3.8269	0.00013
SDA mixed	-1.04934	0.135713	-7.732	1.06E-14
DA various	-1.7238	0.187276	-9.20459	3.43E-20
Woodland	-1.62609	0.161361	-10.0773	6.96E-24
Starling	Acid grassland	-1.48267	0.32238	-4.59913
Freshwater	-9.62141	2.112824	-4.55382	5.27E-06
Heather	-9.3382	8.024833	-1.16366	0.244561
Suburban	-0.49905	0.166889	-2.99029	0.002787
Urban	-0.01969	0.204629	-0.0962	0.923359
River length	-5.50E-05	1.34E-05	-4.09992	4.13E-05
Cereals	-0.05153	0.248283	-0.20753	0.835598
	General cropping	-3.12984	1.776189	-1.76211
Dairy	-0.42508	0.155611	-2.73168	0.006301
Lowland cattle/sheep	-0.49689	0.190781	-2.60451	0.0092
Mixed	-2.70418	0.46408	-5.82697	5.64E-09
Specialist sheep	-0.12311	0.188214	-0.6541	0.513049
Specialist beef	0.090994	0.415484	0.219008	0.826644
SDA mixed	-2.6744	0.368712	-7.25338	4.07E-13
DA various	-0.90188	0.168354	-5.35707	8.46E-08
Woodland	-2.51488	0.222484	-11.3037	1.26E-29
Whitethroat	Acid grassland	-1.21247	0.268512	-4.51553
Freshwater	3.05654	0.988692	3.091497	0.001992
Heather	0.211021	0.220967	0.95499	0.339583
Suburban	-2.19328	0.391632	-5.60035	2.14E-08
Urban	0.083384	0.546911	0.152464	0.878821
River length	-9.33E-05	1.56E-05	-5.96867	2.39E-09
Cereals	0.678499	0.248021	2.735654	0.006226
	General cropping	-1.47537	1.187943	-1.24195
Dairy	-0.23005	0.181402	-1.26817	0.204738
Lowland cattle/sheep	-0.53149	0.205008	-2.59254	0.009527
Mixed	0.335469	0.252288	1.329706	0.183615

Variable	Estimate	Std. Error	Z value	P value
Specialist sheep	-0.36554	0.232292	-1.57361	0.115579
Specialist beef	-2.79826	0.852575	-3.28212	0.00103
SDA mixed	-0.9739	0.339183	-2.87131	0.004088
DA various	0.673331	0.155027	4.343307	1.40E-05
Woodland	-1.59118	0.21783	-7.30467	2.78E-13
Acid grassland	-1.16282	0.102595	-11.3342	8.89E-30
Freshwater	1.006841	0.434484	2.317328	0.020486
Heather	-1.43181	0.281794	-5.08106	3.75E-07
Suburban	1.021677	0.094257	10.83922	2.24E-27
Urban	0.303758	0.170246	1.784235	0.074385
River length	7.46E-06	6.41E-06	1.164567	0.244194
Cereals	-0.07585	0.155667	-0.48724	0.626086
General cropping	-1.85903	0.676553	-2.7478	0.006
Dairy	0.208634	0.09665	2.158652	0.030877
Lowland cattle/sheep	0.290568	0.096232	3.01946	0.002532
Mixed	0.699409	0.146068	4.788241	1.68E-06
Specialist sheep	-0.40857	0.093666	-4.36193	1.29E-05
Specialist beef	-0.73867	0.243355	-3.03536	0.002402
SDA mixed	-0.37705	0.130435	-2.89071	0.003844
DA various	-0.61785	0.101678	-6.07655	1.23E-09
Woodland	-0.15145	0.091044	-1.66349	0.096214

Table 4.2. Results from the Poisson GLMs testing the effects of various land-uses and farm types on the abundance of woodland species.

Variable	Estimate	Std. Error	Z value	P value	
Acid grassland	-1.38277	0.074601	-18.5356	1.07E-76	
Freshwater	-0.32467	0.385671	-0.84184	0.399878	
Heather	-1.79677	0.290494	-6.1852	6.20E-10	
Suburban	0.928548	0.074658	12.43728	1.64E-35	
Urban	0.09835	0.144574	0.680274	0.496331	
River length	1.02E-05	4.79E-06	2.12774	0.033359	
Cereals	0.524438	0.110834	4.731731	2.23E-06	
General cropping	-1.43495	0.494892	-2.89952	0.003737	
Dairy	-0.39336	0.083283	-4.72321	2.32E-06	
Lowland cattle/sheep	0.349275	0.073196	4.771773	1.83E-06	
Mixed	-0.01752	0.132927	-0.13178	0.895161	
Specialist sheep	-0.15163	0.066945	-2.26494	0.023516	
Specialist beef	0.063737	0.156759	0.40659	0.684309	
SDA mixed	-0.25621	0.096945	-2.64289	0.00822	
DA various	-0.04307	0.069979	-0.61547	0.538244	
Woodland	0.216963	0.065511	3.311858	0.000927	
Acid grassland	-0.92738	0.157345	-5.89391	3.77E-09	
Freshwater	-0.33221	0.813146	-0.40854	0.682874	
Heather	-1.15635	0.670103	-1.72563	0.084414	
Suburban	-0.32109	0.186197	-1.72444	0.084628	
Urban	-0.55704	0.363521	-1.53233	0.125441	
River length	5.07E-05	9.11E-06	5.564425	2.63E-08	
Cereals	0.687714	0.195932	3.509965	0.000448	
General cropping	0.661948	0.459945	1.439192	0.150096	
Dairy	-0.173	0.158023	-1.09474	0.273629	
Lowland cattle/sheep	-0.16278	0.143383	-1.13525	0.25627	
Mixed	-0.14563	0.238484	-0.61063	0.541443	
Specialist sheep	-0.62956	0.136514	-4.61171	3.99E-06	
Specialist beef	0.034921	0.305778	0.114203	0.909077	
SDA mixed	-0.51996	0.195886	-2.65439	0.007945	
DA various	-0.4004	0.146667	-2.73001	0.006333	
Woodland	0.790015	0.119101	6.633169	3.29E-11	
Blue tit	Acid grassland	-1.26329	0.103361	-12.2221	2.37E-34
	Freshwater	-0.02799	0.484255	-0.05779	0.953912

Variable	Estimate	Std. Error	Z value	P value	
Heather	-3.66192	1.077801	-3.39759	0.00068	
Suburban	0.604714	0.107825	5.608318	2.04E-08	
Urban	-0.77673	0.253063	-3.06932	0.002145	
River length	2.21E-05	5.79E-06	3.82173	0.000133	
Cereals	0.123918	0.159224	0.77826	0.436416	
General cropping	0.098035	0.406367	0.241248	0.809363	
Dairy	0.264278	0.097906	2.699296	0.006949	
Lowland cattle/sheep	0.440907	0.092662	4.758237	1.95E-06	
Mixed	0.555357	0.151182	3.673434	0.000239	
Specialist sheep	0.41017	0.081718	5.019338	5.18E-07	
Specialist beef	-0.06654	0.191759	-0.347	0.728588	
SDA mixed	0.288155	0.112467	2.562139	0.010403	
DA various	-0.04603	0.091124	-0.50514	0.61346	
Woodland	0.578768	0.083562	6.926241	4.32E-12	
Bullfinch	Acid grassland	-0.33123	0.360852	-0.9179	0.358672
	Freshwater	0.368402	1.020886	0.360865	0.7182
	Heather	1.935213	3.689307	0.524547	0.599898
	Suburban	-0.85221	0.381436	-2.23423	0.025468
	Urban	-1.0806	0.89727	-1.20432	0.228465
	River length	8.82E-06	1.87E-05	0.473101	0.636141
	Cereals	-0.75923	0.526212	-1.44282	0.149071
	General cropping	-0.30794	1.02688	-0.29988	0.764266
	Dairy	-0.47273	0.308517	-1.53225	0.12546
	Lowland cattle/sheep	-0.11786	0.277736	-0.42436	0.671307
	Mixed	-0.59169	0.568667	-1.04049	0.298111
	Specialist sheep	-0.46676	0.243981	-1.91309	0.055737
	Specialist beef	-0.58935	0.68612	-0.85896	0.390361
	SDA mixed	-0.17549	0.32556	-0.53904	0.589862
	DA various	-0.59123	0.276393	-2.13911	0.032427
	Woodland	0.064546	0.232735	0.277336	0.781522
Chaffinch	Acid grassland	-0.46706	0.059636	-7.83182	4.81E-15
	Freshwater	-0.38978	0.420064	-0.9279	0.35346
	Heather	-1.75018	0.243981	-7.17344	7.31E-13
	Suburban	-0.66618	0.128022	-5.20365	1.95E-07
	Urban	-2.87382	0.432599	-6.64315	3.07E-11
	River length	-1.19E-05	5.09E-06	-2.34016	0.019275
	Cereals	-0.309	0.145962	-2.11696	0.034263
	General cropping	-0.69088	0.430062	-1.60646	0.108172
	Dairy	0.140333	0.085355	1.644112	0.100153
	Lowland cattle/sheep	0.003459	0.088144	0.039239	0.9687
	Mixed	0.702088	0.129518	5.420785	5.93E-08
	Specialist sheep	0.529873	0.060159	8.80791	1.28E-18
	Specialist beef	0.41655	0.142881	2.915368	0.003553
	SDA mixed	0.214096	0.088052	2.431483	0.015037
	DA various	0.157488	0.074798	2.105497	0.035248
	Woodland	0.35015	0.069724	5.021921	5.12E-07
Chiffchaff	Acid grassland	-1.40857	0.170962	-8.23906	1.74E-16
	Freshwater	1.246956	0.575538	2.166591	0.030266
	Heather	-1.1409	0.39844	-2.86341	0.004191
	Suburban	-0.09532	0.171338	-0.55635	0.57797
	Urban	0.919087	0.380019	2.418532	0.015583
	River length	3.56E-05	8.04E-06	4.423754	9.70E-06
	Cereals	0.33554	0.198578	1.68972	0.091082
	General cropping	-0.10023	0.549614	-0.18237	0.855293
	Dairy	0.396658	0.131822	3.009033	0.002621
	Lowland cattle/sheep	0.513887	0.12322	4.1705	3.04E-05
	Mixed	0.742487	0.197242	3.76435	0.000167
	Specialist sheep	-0.07335	0.131386	-0.5583	0.576642
	Specialist beef	-0.39204	0.31205	-1.25634	0.208994
	SDA mixed	0.465597	0.158877	2.930555	0.003384
	DA various	0.492883	0.114651	4.298998	1.72E-05
	Woodland	1.008803	0.110467	9.132182	6.71E-20
Co tit	Acid grassland	-0.15973	0.179626	-0.88926	0.373865
	Freshwater	0.085813	1.230306	0.069749	0.944393

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Heather	-0.77465	0.620646	-1.24813	0.211984	
Suburban	-0.52023	0.303117	-1.71628	0.086111	
Urban	-1.21375	0.784391	-1.54738	0.121772	
River length	-3.03E-06	1.41E-05	-0.21556	0.829328	
Cereals	-0.71864	0.405618	-1.77172	0.076442	
General cropping	-3.56452	1.698286	-2.0989	0.035826	
Dairy	-1.15597	0.319579	-3.61717	0.000298	
Lowland cattle/sheep	-0.61654	0.265626	-2.32109	0.020282	
Mixed	1.143966	0.487662	2.345818	0.018985	
Specialist sheep	-0.23912	0.178877	-1.33679	0.181291	
Specialist beef	-0.21611	0.412761	-0.52358	0.600573	
SDA mixed	-0.50372	0.274603	-1.83436	0.0666	
DA various	-1.05276	0.264118	-3.98594	6.72E-05	
Woodland	1.774448	0.174832	10.14947	3.33E-24	
Dunnock					
Acid grassland	-0.92047	0.143056	-6.43436	1.24E-10	
Freshwater	-1.69221	0.835653	-2.02502	0.042865	
Heather	-1.50916	0.520767	-2.89795	0.003756	
Suburban	0.404244	0.152376	2.652947	0.007979	
Urban	-0.86599	0.318739	-2.71693	0.006589	
River length	-2.55E-05	9.30E-06	-2.74168	0.006113	
Cereals	-0.62514	0.243464	-2.5677	0.010238	
General cropping	-0.68709	0.736787	-0.93255	0.351054	
Dairy	0.381474	0.127321	2.996164	0.002734	
Lowland cattle/sheep	0.164561	0.135349	1.21583	0.22405	
Mixed	1.032718	0.184281	5.604024	2.09E-08	
Specialist sheep	-0.54952	0.132537	-4.14616	3.38E-05	
Specialist beef	-0.00708	0.305919	-0.02314	0.981539	
SDA mixed	-0.11506	0.172818	-0.66582	0.505528	
DA various	0.133326	0.121906	1.093684	0.274093	
Woodland	-0.72109	0.135463	-5.32313	1.02E-07	
Garden warbler					
Acid grassland	0.171079	0.254981	0.67095	0.502253	
Freshwater	5.117852	1.914294	2.673494	0.007507	
Heather	-1.92213	1.861801	-1.0324	0.301883	
Suburban	1.653211	0.594147	2.782494	0.005394	
Urban	-1.93492	2.997882	-0.64543	0.518649	
River length	4.32E-05	1.90E-05	2.268436	0.023303	
Cereals	-0.72812	0.662923	-1.09835	0.272052	
General cropping	0.377543	3.477541	0.108566	0.913547	
Dairy	-0.25721	0.431141	-0.59659	0.550783	
Lowland cattle/sheep	-0.38024	0.411883	-0.92318	0.355915	
Mixed	0.414147	0.658731	0.628705	0.529542	
Specialist sheep	0.239634	0.249112	0.961954	0.336073	
Specialist beef	0.372455	0.495607	0.751514	0.452344	
SDA mixed	0.367761	0.330323	1.113337	0.265564	
DA various	0.45677	0.285986	1.597175	0.110227	
Woodland	1.005341	0.277368	3.624567	0.000289	
Goldcrest					
Acid grassland	-1.06914	0.15101	-7.07991	1.44E-12	
Freshwater	2.93168	0.512382	5.721671	1.05E-08	
Heather	0.876394	0.390825	2.242417	0.024934	
Suburban	-0.23247	0.162031	-1.4347	0.151372	
Urban	-0.59021	0.29138	-2.02556	0.04281	
River length	-1.85E-05	9.00E-06	-2.05926	0.039469	
Cereals	-0.84153	0.239238	-3.51756	0.000436	
General cropping	-0.61885	0.663698	-0.93242	0.351118	
Dairy	-0.44704	0.135815	-3.29151	0.000997	
Lowland cattle/sheep	0.31982	0.12677	2.522833	0.011641	
Mixed	1.018961	0.186691	5.458005	4.82E-08	
Specialist sheep	-0.57526	0.128329	-4.48269	7.37E-06	
Specialist beef	-0.06589	0.280233	-0.23514	0.814101	
SDA mixed	0.359949	0.151798	2.37123	0.017729	
DA various	-0.01156	0.115492	-0.10008	0.920278	
Woodland	-0.72813	0.136606	-5.33015	9.81E-08	
Green at spot ^{red}	Acid grassland	-0.75663	0.248754	-3.04165	0.002353
	Freshwater	-1.53814	1.268148	-1.2129	0.225168

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Heather	-0.99898	1.868554	-0.53463	0.592908	
Suburban	-0.10824	0.339354	-0.31896	0.749758	
Urban	-1.20449	0.973595	-1.23716	0.216028	
River length	1.82E-05	1.51E-05	1.208846	0.226722	
Cereals	0.187211	0.397786	0.470632	0.637903	
General cropping	0.229044	0.879559	0.260408	0.794549	
Dairy	-0.4137	0.277944	-1.48842	0.136641	
Lowland cattle/sheep	-0.10491	0.262532	-0.39961	0.689446	
Mixed	0.045521	0.388727	0.117102	0.90678	
Specialist sheep	-0.03071	0.217477	-0.14122	0.887699	
Specialist beef	-0.05689	0.518471	-0.10973	0.912624	
SDA mixed	0.061745	0.300183	0.205692	0.837031	
DA various	-0.06301	0.238196	-0.26453	0.791372	
Woodland	0.36048	0.222596	1.619436	0.105354	
Great tit	Acid grassland	-1.02275	0.118174	-8.65462	4.95E-18
	Freshwater	0.315074	0.557422	0.565233	0.571915
	Heather	-0.82831	0.518375	-1.5979	0.110066
	Suburban	0.297088	0.140682	2.111779	0.034705
	Urban	-0.88046	0.319036	-2.75974	0.005785
	River length	1.66E-05	7.60E-06	2.188593	0.028626
	Cereals	0.211378	0.184786	1.143904	0.252663
	General cropping	-1.43636	0.726963	-1.97583	0.048174
	Dairy	-0.48793	0.136888	-3.56443	0.000365
	Lowland cattle/sheep	0.398552	0.116783	3.41277	0.000643
	Mixed	0.492756	0.188496	2.614146	0.008945
	Specialist sheep	0.0226	0.105375	0.21447	0.830181
	Specialist beef	-0.19483	0.246406	-0.79071	0.429116
	SDA mixed	-0.11934	0.146315	-0.81567	0.414692
	DA various	-0.01345	0.112963	-0.11909	0.905201
	Woodland	0.380186	0.105917	3.589452	0.000331
Green woodpecker	Acid grassland	0.76857	0.332772	2.309602	0.02091
	Freshwater	-0.46771	4.094681	-0.11422	0.909061
	Heather	-3.55829	4.471029	-0.79585	0.426117
	Suburban	0.480888	0.567544	0.847314	0.39682
	Urban	-0.24518	1.699386	-0.14428	0.885282
	River length	3.93E-05	3.05E-05	1.289534	0.197212
	Cereals	0.432329	0.66146	0.653599	0.51337
	General cropping	-28.7765	49.56544	-0.58058	0.561526
	Dairy	0.075656	0.786833	0.096153	0.923399
	Lowland cattle/sheep	0.560608	0.449197	1.248022	0.212023
	Mixed	-0.17338	1.119602	-0.15486	0.876931
	Specialist sheep	0.455945	0.403849	1.128999	0.258898
	Specialist beef	0.810366	0.785689	1.031409	0.302349
	SDA mixed	-0.00196	0.546451	-0.00359	0.997139
	DA various	0.721829	0.493271	1.463352	0.143371
	Woodland	0.688173	0.469258	1.466513	0.142508
Jay	Acid grassland	-0.17248	0.225239	-0.76574	0.44383
	Freshwater	0.647944	1.686672	0.384155	0.700863
	Heather	-0.12588	0.723138	-0.17408	0.861806
	Suburban	-0.28735	0.415141	-0.69217	0.488829
	Urban	0.544752	0.544637	1.00021	0.317209
	River length	1.29E-05	1.74E-05	0.74213	0.458009
	Cereals	0.387465	0.421427	0.919413	0.35788
	General cropping	-1.00762	1.343666	-0.7499	0.453312
	Dairy	0.155302	0.32438	0.478767	0.632105
	Lowland cattle/sheep	-0.24937	0.312717	-0.79744	0.425198
	Mixed	0.272157	0.553253	0.491922	0.622775
	Specialist sheep	0.168691	0.230912	0.730541	0.465059
	Specialist beef	0.127745	0.506317	0.252302	0.800808
	SDA mixed	-0.41686	0.367423	-1.13456	0.256561
	DA various	0.156663	0.280868	0.557782	0.576993
	Woodland	0.542574	0.24927	2.176652	0.029507
Long-tailed tit	Acid grassland	-0.32544	0.278289	-1.16945	0.242223
	Freshwater	3.399795	0.738694	4.602438	4.18E-06
	Heather	1.914247	3.177577	0.602423	0.546892

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	Suburban	0.090752	0.266934	0.339977	0.733874
	Urban	-0.26147	0.549835	-0.47555	0.634396
	River length	-4.48E-05	1.56E-05	-2.86703	0.004143
	Cereals	0.124643	0.309527	0.402688	0.687178
	General cropping	-2.73548	1.5745	-1.73737	0.082322
	Dairy	-0.55568	0.23137	-2.4017	0.016319
	Lowland cattle/sheep	0.185418	0.231163	0.802112	0.422488
	Mixed	0.886069	0.314581	2.816661	0.004853
	Specialist sheep	0.073908	0.210442	0.351205	0.725434
	Specialist beef	0.62297	0.492105	1.26593	0.205538
	SDA mixed	-0.47459	0.319231	-1.48665	0.137107
	DA various	-0.03001	0.230755	-0.13006	0.89652
	Woodland	-0.27143	0.219603	-1.23601	0.216456
Nuthatch	Acid grassland	-0.85605	0.250964	-3.41103	0.000647
	Freshwater	2.259838	1.136369	1.988649	0.04674
	Heather	3.338691	3.163866	1.055257	0.291308
	Suburban	0.123253	0.31373	0.392863	0.694421
	Urban	0.157191	1.18817	0.132297	0.89475
	River length	7.08E-06	1.67E-05	0.424163	0.671447
	Cereals	-0.13621	0.409883	-0.33232	0.739649
	General cropping	0.773575	0.683048	1.132534	0.25741
	Dairy	-1.16089	0.355692	-3.26374	0.0011
	Lowland cattle/sheep	-0.55265	0.291809	-1.89387	0.058242
	Mixed	0.059781	0.501827	0.119126	0.905175
	Specialist sheep	-0.0044	0.203428	-0.02163	0.982747
	Specialist beef	-0.47678	0.487253	-0.97851	0.327824
	SDA mixed	0.156888	0.286608	0.547395	0.584107
	DA various	-0.35314	0.259765	-1.35945	0.174003
	Woodland	0.836273	0.260386	3.211664	0.00132
Redstart	Acid grassland	-0.34331	0.13438	-2.55479	0.010625
	Freshwater	-1.84132	1.390515	-1.3242	0.185437
	Heather	-1.17971	0.422418	-2.79275	0.005226
	Suburban	-1.3033	0.962632	-1.35389	0.175772
	Urban	1.182755	5.558542	0.212782	0.831497
	River length	-3.07E-05	1.29E-05	-2.37805	0.017404
	Cereals	1.077483	0.467046	2.307018	0.021054
	General cropping	-7117.86	5226.86	-1.36178	0.173266
	Dairy	-1.35347	0.385234	-3.51337	0.000442
	Lowland cattle/sheep	-0.28425	0.331398	-0.85774	0.391035
	Mixed	-1.36938	0.557562	-2.45601	0.014049
	Specialist sheep	0.753426	0.145781	5.168186	2.36E-07
	Specialist beef	0.276378	0.353691	0.78141	0.434562
	SDA mixed	0.438991	0.200495	2.189536	0.028558
	DA various	-0.07671	0.224848	-0.34114	0.732995
	Woodland	0.10875	0.204802	0.530999	0.595419
Robin	Acid grassland	-1.07516	0.078301	-13.7312	6.60E-43
	Freshwater	0.029191	0.438895	0.06651	0.946972
	Heather	-1.23622	0.287969	-4.29289	1.76E-05
	Suburban	0.16368	0.108315	1.511149	0.13075
	Urban	-0.88966	0.242612	-3.66701	0.000245
	River length	3.55E-06	5.62E-06	0.631196	0.527912
	Cereals	0.337931	0.136343	2.478541	0.013192
	General cropping	0.887156	0.305893	2.900219	0.003729
	Dairy	-0.07732	0.09597	-0.80565	0.420444
	Lowland cattle/sheep	-0.03782	0.092864	-0.40722	0.683848
	Mixed	0.009735	0.154669	0.06294	0.949814
	Specialist sheep	0.150921	0.073183	2.062251	0.039184
	Specialist beef	0.208367	0.16892	1.233526	0.21738
	SDA mixed	-0.11414	0.108261	-1.05434	0.291725
	DA various	-0.26811	0.088476	-3.03028	0.002443
	Woodland	0.547035	0.07602	7.195951	6.20E-13
Song thrush	Acid grassland	-0.45349	0.114282	-3.9682	7.24E-05
	Freshwater	1.628049	0.531337	3.064059	0.002184
	Heather	-1.38692	0.566925	-2.44638	0.01443

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Suburban	0.077179	0.163726	0.471391	0.637362
Urban	-0.67885	0.38068	-1.78325	0.074545
River length	4.77E-05	8.06E-06	5.920144	3.22E-09
Cereals	0.353193	0.202358	1.745386	0.080918
General cropping	-0.04767	0.541534	-0.08802	0.929861
Dairy	-0.31364	0.154837	-2.02562	0.042804
Lowland cattle/sheep	0.315739	0.128233	2.462225	0.013808
Mixed	-0.11965	0.244502	-0.48937	0.624582
Specialist sheep	-0.17361	0.111062	-1.56323	0.117999
Specialist beef	-0.77472	0.292822	-2.64572	0.008152
SDA mixed	-0.39784	0.172563	-2.30549	0.021139
DA various	0.074853	0.121432	0.61642	0.537618
Woodland	1.262378	0.103322	12.21786	2.50E-34
Spotted flycatcher				
Acid grassland	-0.48385	0.488746	-0.98997	0.322187
Freshwater	11.38439	2.979505	3.8209	0.000133
Heather	-0.43409	2.813738	-0.15427	0.877393
Suburban	-0.78385	1.390069	-0.56389	0.572826
Urban	-3.8929	11.73066	-0.33186	0.739997
River length	-1.01E-05	4.67E-05	-0.21625	0.828794
Cereals	-1.37179	1.111216	-1.2345	0.217018
General cropping	-7.75632	7.464631	-1.03908	0.298769
Dairy	-0.06781	0.605269	-0.11203	0.910798
Lowland cattle/sheep	0.407411	0.510399	0.79822	0.424743
Mixed	1.458667	1.712453	0.8518	0.394325
Specialist sheep	-0.22398	0.530002	-0.4226	0.672587
Specialist beef	-0.11563	1.046527	-0.11049	0.912024
SDA mixed	1.220169	0.610221	1.999552	0.045549
DA various	0.338129	0.436379	0.774851	0.438428
Woodland	0.558049	0.594701	0.93837	0.348054
Tawny owl				
Acid grassland	0.267432	1.223106	0.21865	0.826923
Freshwater	1.393611	2.762336	0.504505	0.613907
Heather	-2.79936	16.68612	-0.16777	0.866767
Suburban	3.099656	3.586726	0.864202	0.387477
Urban	-21.1594	44.55764	-0.47488	0.634875
River length	1.84E-05	9.38E-05	0.196028	0.844588
Cereals	-0.03081	2.001603	-0.01539	0.98772
Dairy	-0.45643	1.464493	-0.31166	0.755297
Lowland cattle/sheep	-0.36323	1.19169	-0.3048	0.760515
Mixed	-0.97702	4.945441	-0.19756	0.84339
Specialist sheep	-0.47628	1.027378	-0.46358	0.642946
Specialist beef	-1.31349	8.986185	-0.14617	0.883789
SDA mixed	0.341276	1.991542	0.171363	0.863939
DA various	0.72529	3.092685	0.234518	0.814583
Woodland	0.025396	1.145355	0.022173	0.98231
Tree pipit				
Acid grassland	0.257896	0.233592	1.104042	0.269575
Freshwater	3.209742	3.719021	0.863061	0.388104
Heather	-0.0165	0.427876	-0.03856	0.969238
Suburban	-6.7722	2.58541	-2.61939	0.008809
Urban	6.011553	12.84519	0.468	0.639784
River length	-4.92E-05	2.54E-05	-1.93908	0.052492
Cereals	1.468361	1.067648	1.375323	0.169031
Dairy	-1.70582	0.739208	-2.30763	0.021019
Lowland cattle/sheep	0.706773	0.411727	1.716605	0.086051
Mixed	-1.89757	2.964506	-0.6401	0.522111
Specialist sheep	-0.86617	0.240231	-3.60556	0.000311
Specialist beef	-0.99091	0.591887	-1.67415	0.094101
SDA mixed	-0.71493	0.335272	-2.13239	0.032975
DA various	0.218216	0.348262	0.626587	0.53093
Woodland	0.384006	0.297875	1.289153	0.197345
Tree creeper				
Acid grassland	-0.65168	0.373696	-1.74387	0.081182
Freshwater	3.031219	1.387227	2.185092	0.028882
Heather	-0.37171	3.777032	-0.09841	0.921604
Suburban	-0.1549	0.573591	-0.27005	0.787123
Urban	-1.11091	1.275469	-0.87098	0.383764
River length	3.66E-05	2.23E-05	1.637205	0.101588

Variable	Estimate	Std. Error	Z value	P value
Cereals	0.463354	0.48885	0.947845	0.343209
Dairy	-1.34364	1.847992	-0.72708	0.467177
Lowland cattle/sheep	-0.41246	0.556614	-0.74102	0.458684
Mixed	0.377979	0.44775	0.844175	0.398572
Specialist sheep	-0.88679	0.800481	-1.10782	0.267941
Specialist beef	-0.16532	0.324229	-0.50988	0.610139
SDA mixed	0.160869	0.618517	0.260089	0.794795
DA various	0.600761	0.417171	1.440086	0.149843
Woodland	-0.22521	0.36614	-0.6151	0.538487
Willow warbler				
Acid grassland	0.165242	0.073997	2.233099	0.025542
Freshwater	1.226882	0.485669	2.526166	0.011531
Heather	-0.35064	0.195043	-1.79775	0.072217
Suburban	-0.68748	0.22692	-3.02963	0.002449
Urban	-0.39579	0.400983	-0.98705	0.32362
River length	3.52E-05	6.83E-06	5.149512	2.61E-07
Cereals	-0.94077	0.292296	-3.21856	0.001288
General cropping	-2.69477	0.987126	-2.72992	0.006335
Dairy	-0.76742	0.161373	-4.75555	1.98E-06
Lowland cattle/sheep	-0.61826	0.14629	-4.22627	2.38E-05
Mixed	-0.76547	0.30191	-2.53544	0.011231
Specialist sheep	0.169107	0.079745	2.120583	0.033957
Specialist beef	0.202342	0.191231	1.058105	0.290007
SDA mixed	0.024913	0.113671	0.219166	0.826521
DA various	-0.33885	0.117764	-2.87735	0.00401
Woodland	1.107859	0.091216	12.14547	6.06E-34
Wren				
Acid grassland	-0.78638	0.0611793	-12.726	4.24E-37
Freshwater	-0.23018	0.385533	-0.59705	0.550472
Heather	-0.4602	0.126923	-3.62584	0.000288
Suburban	-0.07161	0.098466	-0.72727	0.467059
Urban	-1.04516	0.22899	-4.56423	5.01E-06
River length	1.27E-05	4.87E-06	2.60617	0.009156
Cereals	-0.15539	0.130369	-1.19192	0.233292
General cropping	0.748853	0.26953	2.778362	0.005463
Dairy	0.143182	0.078755	1.818061	0.069055
Lowland cattle/sheep	-0.01531	0.07853	-0.19499	0.845403
Mixed	0.440473	0.1236	3.563697	0.000366
Specialist sheep	-0.16598	0.062999	-2.63461	0.008423
Specialist beef	-0.15021	0.15908	-0.94425	0.34504
SDA mixed	-0.05524	0.09008	-0.61324	0.53972
DA various	-0.18647	0.074129	-2.5155	0.011886
Woodland	0.608478	0.0636	9.567336	1.10E-21

Table 4.3 Results from the Poisson GLMs testing the effects of various land-uses and farm types on the abundance of water and wetland species.

Variable	Estimate	Std. Error	Z value	P value
Dipper				
Acid grassland	-0.16793	0.568682	-0.29529	0.767772
Freshwater	-2.4473	8.643267	-0.28315	0.777065
Heather	2.371906	5.26701	0.450333	0.652471
Suburban	1.165868	2.476822	0.470711	0.637847
Urban	-4.26297	6.113297	-0.69733	0.485598
River length	-1.25E-05	4.61E-05	-0.27029	0.78694
Cereals	0.3959	0.941472	0.420512	0.674112
General cropping	-30.2936	51.79858	-0.58483	0.558659
Dairy	-0.4435	1.148711	-0.38608	0.699434
Lowland cattle/sheep	0.099982	1.219402	0.081993	0.934652
Mixed	2.111604	2.601527	0.811679	0.416976
Specialist sheep	0.48552	0.555339	0.874277	0.381967
Specialist beef	-0.37723	3.370133	-0.11193	0.910877
SDA mixed	0.385803	0.931876	0.414007	0.678869
DA various	0.390902	0.909939	0.429591	0.667493
Woodland	-0.0141	1.091742	-0.01291	0.989698

	Variable	Estimate	Std. Error	Z value	P value
Grey heron	Acid grassland	-2.04872	0.812947	-2.52011	0.011732
	Freshwater	4.327252	0.993675	4.354796	1.33E-05
	Heather	-2.16309	2.781891	-0.77756	0.436829
	Suburban	0.244339	0.772431	0.316324	0.751757
	Urban	-0.87885	1.155212	-0.76077	0.446793
	River length	3.20E-05	3.30E-05	0.970875	0.331611
	Cereals	0.520394	0.704569	0.738599	0.460151
	General cropping	-87.0108	313.4618	-0.27758	0.781335
	Dairy	-0.70649	0.661376	-1.06821	0.285426
	Lowland cattle/sheep	-0.17691	0.694424	-0.25476	0.798905
	Mixed	-1.37536	1.289248	-1.06679	0.286065
	Specialist sheep	1.135114	0.45399	2.500307	0.012409
	Specialist beef	-1.4247	1.367928	-1.0415	0.297643
	SDA mixed	-0.71305	0.792865	-0.89933	0.368476
	DA various	-0.11137	0.548935	-0.20289	0.839222
	Woodland	-0.68793	0.564587	-1.21847	0.223046
Mallard	Acid grassland	0.654512	0.198951	3.289815	0.001003
	Freshwater	4.458789	0.512819	8.694662	3.48E-18
	Heather	-2.32981	0.977719	-2.3829	0.017177
	Suburban	2.13827	0.185165	11.54792	7.56E-31
	Urban	0.661982	0.355723	1.860946	0.062752
	River length	8.45E-05	1.27E-05	6.648612	2.96E-11
	Cereals	1.127277	0.291183	3.871363	0.000108
	General cropping	1.853014	2.294206	0.807693	0.419267
	Dairy	-0.3245	0.269803	-1.20273	0.229081
	Lowland cattle/sheep	1.523284	0.228703	6.660548	2.73E-11
	Mixed	0.76027	0.357836	2.12463	0.033617
	Specialist sheep	0.514213	0.196585	2.61573	0.008904
	Specialist beef	-1.12245	0.537315	-2.08899	0.036708
	SDA mixed	-1.25138	0.388163	-3.22386	0.001265
	DA various	1.063361	0.202307	5.256169	1.47E-07
	Woodland	-0.326	0.239144	-1.36318	0.172825
Reed bunting	Acid grassland	-0.7112	0.229922	-3.09321	0.00198
	Freshwater	-0.44527	1.241176	-0.35875	0.719782
	Heather	-0.67613	0.364544	-1.85472	0.063636
	Suburban	-0.82137	0.929094	-0.88405	0.376669
	Urban	-1.25346	2.073928	-0.60439	0.545583
	River length	5.81E-05	2.48E-05	2.336953	0.019442
	Cereals	0.197736	0.738469	0.267765	0.78888
	Dairy	-2.03933	0.684785	-2.97806	0.002901
	Lowland cattle/sheep	-0.65819	0.556689	-1.18234	0.237073
	Mixed	-3.5163	3.239405	-1.08548	0.277711
	Specialist sheep	-0.6086	0.261543	-2.32697	0.019967
	Specialist beef	-1.46318	0.844694	-1.7322	0.083238
	SDA mixed	-0.5511	0.384171	-1.43451	0.151427
	DA various	-0.93644	0.518309	-1.80672	0.070806
	Woodland	-2.355	0.493614	-4.77093	1.83E-06
Sedge warbler	Acid grassland	1.734505	0.921252	1.882768	0.059732
	Freshwater	-2.1282	1.667143	-1.27655	0.20176
	Heather	-1.48384	0.787468	-1.88432	0.059522
	Suburban	-2.91067	1.147703	-2.53609	0.01121
	Urban	-1.72212	1.768061	-0.97402	0.330048
	River length	9.94E-05	2.30E-05	4.321938	1.55E-05
	Cereals	0.473876	0.736889	0.643077	0.520174
	General cropping	0.993672	1.855458	0.53554	0.592276
	Dairy	-1.97317	0.603813	-3.26786	0.001084
	Lowland cattle/sheep	-0.00323	0.557767	-0.0058	0.995375
	Mixed	-1.0583	0.817148	-1.29511	0.195282
	Specialist sheep	-1.7782	0.459059	-3.87358	0.000107
	Specialist beef	1.276581	3.07316	0.415397	0.677851
	SDA mixed	-4.3228	1.143006	-3.78196	0.000156
	DA various	-1.26125	0.352679	-3.5762	0.000349
	Woodland	-5.58329	1.003211	-5.56543	2.62E-08

Table 4.4. Results from the Poisson GLMs testing the effects of various land-uses and farm types on the abundance of 'other' species.

Variable	Estimate	Std. Error	Z value	P value
Buzzard	Acid grassland	0.367136	0.176809	2.076457
	Freshwater	0.028915	1.491225	0.01939
	Heather	0.136964	0.430939	0.317828
	Suburban	-0.72389	0.565173	-1.28083
	Urban	-0.17974	1.515221	-0.11862
	River length	-4.24E-05	1.75E-05	-2.42615
	Cereals	-0.09488	0.482752	-0.19654
	General cropping	-2.97249	4.102335	-0.72459
	Dairy	0.15809	0.29156	0.542222
	Lowland cattle/sheep	1.148599	0.241355	4.75896
	Mixed	0.831783	0.420724	1.977029
	Specialist sheep	0.288611	0.197964	1.457896
	Specialist beef	0.30873	0.560555	0.550757
	SDA mixed	0.681092	0.260153	2.618039
	DA various	0.910814	0.222106	4.100804
	Woodland	0.379674	0.255536	1.485796
Canada goose	Acid grassland	-0.31775	0.306138	-1.03792
	Freshwater	9.187863	0.452401	20.30913
	Heather	0.526188	0.32664	1.610909
	Suburban	1.158497	0.251772	4.601383
	Urban	1.774203	0.534511	3.319301
	River length	2.85E-05	1.76E-05	1.616937
	Cereals	0.860524	0.411917	2.089073
	Dairy	0.119921	0.317803	0.377344
	Lowland cattle/sheep	0.064164	0.338652	0.189469
	Mixed	0.221669	0.649947	0.341057
	Specialist sheep	-0.65722	0.28763	-2.28494
	Specialist beef	-0.14147	0.839581	-0.16851
	SDA mixed	-0.15597	0.422468	-0.36919
	DA various	-0.1256	0.278381	-0.45119
	Woodland	0.283309	0.315906	0.896816
Carriion crow	Acid grassland	-0.75597	0.062657	-12.0653
	Freshwater	-1.65022	0.529785	-3.11489
	Heather	-0.80201	0.230064	-3.48601
	Suburban	-0.19148	0.123832	-1.54625
	Urban	-0.01369	0.207705	-0.06593
	River length	-2.41E-05	5.68E-06	-4.25026
	Cereals	0.81892	0.130048	6.297076
	General cropping	-0.61775	0.563379	-1.09651
	Dairy	0.931963	0.080115	11.63281
	Lowland cattle/sheep	0.890491	0.085989	10.35593
	Mixed	1.046467	0.127826	8.186652
	Specialist sheep	0.943868	0.064924	14.538
	Specialist beef	-0.06138	0.186809	-0.32855
	SDA mixed	0.285883	0.098345	2.906931
	DA various	0.542018	0.077555	6.988836
	Woodland	-0.88613	0.09329	-9.49867
Collared dove	Acid grassland	-0.88793	0.380218	-2.33531
	Freshwater	-4.81974	1.567006	-3.07576
	Heather	-5.2508	6.061383	-0.86627
	Suburban	0.455829	0.188008	2.42452
	Urban	-1.70385	0.390865	-4.35918
	River length	-1.02E-05	1.66E-05	-0.61575
	Cereals	-1.80649	0.454282	-3.97659
	General cropping	-1.1728	2.375467	-0.49371
	Dairy	-0.9461	0.226307	-4.1806
	Lowland cattle/sheep	-0.72819	0.229493	-3.17302
	Mixed	-1.08051	0.363665	-2.97117
	Specialist sheep	-0.81245	0.225628	-3.60084
	Specialist beef	0.351767	0.602317	0.584022
	SDA mixed	-2.03967	0.427398	-4.7723
				1.82E-06

Variable	Estimate	Std. Error	Z value	P value
DA various	-0.85815	0.197115	-4.35355	1.34E-05
Woodland	-1.97904	0.263148	-7.52062	5.45E-14
Cuckoo	Acid grassland	-4.16E-05	0.207584	-0.0002
	Freshwater	-1.59219	1.911075	-0.83314
	Heather	0.347222	0.346529	1.002
	Suburban	-1.76336	1.154032	-1.528
	Urban	0.429409	1.306701	0.328621
	River length	3.02E-05	2.10E-05	1.437282
	Cereals	-0.88771	1.670509	-0.5314
	General cropping	-4.50045	7.424494	-0.60616
	Dairy	-0.98577	0.711518	-1.38545
	Lowland cattle/sheep	-0.17065	0.528005	-0.3232
	Mixed	0.235456	1.650924	0.142621
	Specialist sheep	-0.02484	0.210845	-0.11779
	Specialist beef	-0.45798	0.60777	-0.75355
	SDA mixed	0.189707	0.313063	0.605971
	DA various	-0.3023	0.42853	-0.70543
	Woodland	-0.00331	0.294685	-0.01123
Grasshopper warbler	Acid grassland	0.171079	0.254981	0.67095
	Freshwater	5.117852	1.914294	2.673494
	Heather	-1.92213	1.861801	-1.0324
	Suburban	1.653211	0.594147	2.782494
	Urban	-1.93492	2.997882	-0.64543
	River length	4.32E-05	1.90E-05	2.268436
	Cereals	-0.72812	0.662923	-1.09835
	General cropping	0.377543	3.477541	0.108566
	Dairy	-0.25721	0.431141	-0.59659
	Lowland cattle/sheep	-0.38024	0.411883	-0.92318
	Mixed	0.414147	0.658731	0.628705
	Specialist sheep	0.239634	0.249112	0.961954
	Specialist beef	0.372455	0.495607	0.751514
	SDA mixed	0.367761	0.330323	1.113337
	DA various	0.45677	0.285986	1.597175
	Woodland	1.005341	0.277368	3.624567
House sparrow	Acid grassland	-0.82259	0.141603	-5.80915
	Freshwater	-2.26475	0.605393	-3.74096
	Heather	-6.62942	2.859773	-2.31816
	Suburban	1.099099	0.076427	14.38101
	Urban	-0.38584	0.137367	-2.80882
	River length	-5.01E-05	6.04E-06	-8.28784
	Cereals	0.543468	0.115826	4.692105
	General cropping	-8.08016	1.438555	-5.61686
	Dairy	-0.37531	0.084187	-4.45804
	Lowland cattle/sheep	-0.31886	0.094446	-3.37608
	Mixed	0.855534	0.111213	7.692765
	Specialist sheep	-0.84514	0.090718	-9.31613
	Specialist beef	1.617199	0.140099	11.54325
	SDA mixed	-1.18986	0.130785	-9.09783
	DA various	-0.39992	0.079412	-5.03607
	Woodland	-1.10722	0.103369	-10.7113
Magpie	Acid grassland	-0.72112	0.150698	-4.7852
	Freshwater	0.480067	0.666324	0.720471
	Heather	0.058795	0.631437	0.093114
	Suburban	1.302313	0.133704	9.740289
	Urban	0.83487	0.207189	4.029508
	River length	-1.22E-05	9.61E-06	-1.26617
	Cereals	-0.59788	0.261639	-2.28513
	General cropping	-7.39594	2.667331	-2.77279
	Dairy	0.124686	0.143971	0.866048
	Lowland cattle/sheep	0.413904	0.146108	2.832855
	Mixed	0.800756	0.21517	3.721504
	Specialist sheep	-0.09031	0.134739	-0.67029
	Specialist beef	-0.11558	0.311404	-0.37114
	SDA mixed	0.001074	0.182425	0.005888
	DA various	0.312578	0.128893	2.425097
	Woodland	-0.015304		

Variable	Estimate	Std. Error	Z value	P value
Woodland	-0.86087	0.166141	-5.18158	2.20E-07
Meadow pipit	Acid grassland	0.890684	0.060949	14.61355
	Freshwater	-0.27769	0.467074	-0.59453
	Heather	1.182966	0.082834	14.2812
	Suburban	-3.74261	0.597619	-6.26254
	Urban	-1.36408	1.33472	-1.022
	River length	-1.92E-05	6.90E-06	-2.77892
	Cereals	-3.02484	1.107179	-2.73203
	General cropping	-45.4932	34.36652	-1.32376
	Dairy	-2.2428	0.293637	-7.63799
	Lowland cattle/sheep	-1.76613	0.317821	-5.557
	Mixed	-0.13243	0.303775	-0.43595
	Specialist sheep	0.130353	0.05241	2.487184
	Specialist beef	-1.0862	0.233139	-4.65905
	SDA mixed	0.341351	0.07658	4.457467
	DA various	-1.09542	0.154994	-7.06751
	Woodland	-1.54117	0.128046	-12.0361
	Acid grassland	-0.13113	0.168724	-0.7772
Pheasant	Freshwater	0.323316	0.873149	0.370287
	Heather	-0.29949	0.288678	-1.03745
	Suburban	-1.31944	0.412282	-3.20033
	Urban	-0.53528	0.947906	-0.5647
	River length	5.61E-05	1.08E-05	5.218186
	Cereals	0.178649	0.247831	0.720852
	General cropping	-3.91131	1.937667	-2.01857
	Dairy	0.125703	0.171881	0.731338
	Lowland cattle/sheep	1.111456	0.15006	7.406757
	Mixed	1.483007	0.241168	6.149273
	Specialist sheep	0.231186	0.155995	1.482012
	Specialist beef	-1.3434	0.479874	-2.79948
	SDA mixed	0.664633	0.185306	3.586681
	DA various	0.956997	0.142393	6.720841
	Woodland	0.728319	0.173027	4.209287
	Acid grassland	-0.24753	0.138578	-1.78623
Pied wagtail	Freshwater	1.499796	0.766615	1.956387
	Heather	0.654743	0.573844	1.140978
	Suburban	-0.57218	0.372262	-1.53704
	Urban	0.370782	0.46651	0.794801
	River length	6.73E-05	1.18E-05	5.683251
	Cereals	-0.56181	0.490711	-1.14489
	General cropping	-6.22101	5.423057	-1.14714
	Dairy	-0.05305	0.235793	-0.22499
	Lowland cattle/sheep	1.167186	0.207906	5.613997
	Mixed	0.206731	0.373848	0.552981
	Specialist sheep	0.611015	0.146194	4.179487
	Specialist beef	1.07191	0.314234	3.411187
	SDA mixed	-0.06944	0.218229	-0.3182
	DA various	0.323215	0.186623	1.731915
	Woodland	-0.72398	0.223724	-3.23603
	Acid grassland	-0.06013	0.155979	-0.38549
Stonechat	Freshwater	-2.65461	2.097309	-1.26572
	Heather	0.141941	0.254134	0.558531
	Suburban	-0.968	1.220198	-0.79331
	Urban	-1.55005	1.593487	-0.97274
	River length	-4.88E-05	1.88E-05	-2.59019
	Cereals	-0.32394	2.108298	-0.15365
	General cropping	-247.334	279.2419	-0.88573
	Dairy	-0.91656	0.481193	-1.90476
	Lowland cattle/sheep	-0.37978	0.97919	-0.38785
	Mixed	1.796694	0.78003	2.303366
	Specialist sheep	0.185473	0.175814	1.054939
	Specialist beef	-1.09339	0.631302	-1.73196
	SDA mixed	0.063539	0.246169	0.258113
	DA various	0.14859	0.269665	0.551015
	Woodland	-0.78271	0.309159	-2.53173
	Acid grassland	-0.06013	0.155979	-0.38549

Variable	Estimate	Std. Error	Z value	P value
Swallow	Acid grassland	-1.36216	0.173628	-7.84529
	Freshwater	-1.41944	1.015308	-1.39804
	Heather	3.0781	0.643707	4.781838
	Suburban	-0.66634	0.373415	-1.78444
	Urban	-2.84169	1.007625	-2.82019
	River length	1.96E-05	1.01E-05	1.936906
	Cereals	0.236803	0.252095	0.939339
	General cropping	-2.51442	1.192425	-2.10866
	Dairy	0.19642	0.154523	1.271137
	Lowland cattle/sheep	0.488954	0.153992	3.175198
	Mixed	1.162774	0.203301	5.719469
	Specialist sheep	-0.12349	0.15187	-0.81315
	Specialist beef	-0.0421	0.314686	-0.13377
	SDA mixed	-0.52492	0.205815	-2.55046
	DA various	0.386857	0.141466	2.734633
	Woodland	-1.14716	0.176114	-6.51374
	Acid grassland	0.251002	0.125735	1.996287
Wheatear	Freshwater	-0.10388	1.143607	-0.09084
	Heather	-0.21363	0.301138	-0.70941
	Suburban	-1.82551	1.301155	-1.40299
	Urban	-3.40197	2.895173	-1.17505
	River length	1.79E-05	1.48E-05	1.208071
	Cereals	-1.3889	0.861569	-1.61206
	General cropping	4.967689	20.83032	0.238484
	Dairy	-0.23466	0.285053	-0.82323
	Lowland cattle/sheep	-1.36252	0.4307	-3.1635
	Mixed	-0.33901	0.48837	-0.69417
	Specialist sheep	0.381638	0.122976	3.103351
	Specialist beef	-1.81433	0.58189	-3.11799
	SDA mixed	0.088345	0.207984	0.424768
	DA various	-0.5754	0.252922	-2.275
	Woodland	-2.28889	0.362856	-6.30798
	Acid grassland	1.131769	0.303078	3.734253
Whinchat	Freshwater	-3.8477	3.42403	-1.12374
	Heather	0.838509	0.397364	2.110177
	Suburban	-24.2905	17.55556	-1.38364
	River length	5.78E-06	3.77E-05	0.153533
	Dairy	-3.96387	7.493176	-0.529
	Lowland cattle/sheep	0.528557	1.879256	0.281259
	Mixed	2.903031	1.294515	2.242563
	Specialist sheep	0.34234	0.229166	1.49385
	Specialist beef	4.344301	1.008819	4.306324
	SDA mixed	-0.59138	0.366702	-1.6127

Table 4.5. Predicted abundance and the percentage difference in predicted abundance from the baseline for farmland species in Wales under three different scenarios of Brexit. Blue and green shading illustrates a percentage increase and decrease, respectively, in abundance of at least 1% from the baseline. Abundances are estimated using only 1km squares that had BBS data in Wales. N = number of 1km squares that had BBS and scenario data.

Species	Generalism/ specialism	List	Baseline		No deal			EU deal			FTA		
			N	Predicted abundance	N	Predicted abundance	Difference from baseline (%)	N	Predicted abundance	Difference from baseline (%)	N	Predicted abundance	Difference from baseline (%)
Greenfinch	Generalist		227	1,799	219	1,971	10%	219	1,959	9%	227	2,003	11%
Jackdaw	Generalist		279	6,560	273	7,963	21%	273	7,860	20%	279	7,721	18%
Rook	Generalist		167	5,510	164	7,453	35%	164	7,293	32%	167	7,175	30%
Woodpigeon	Generalist		361	4,711	352	4,996	6%	352	4,890	4%	361	4,953	5%
Goldfinch	Specialist		315	3,001	308	3,467	16%	308	3,479	16%	315	3,426	14%
Linnet	Specialist	Red	212	2,673	206	3,608	35%	206	3,831	43%	212	3,623	36%
Skylark	Specialist	Red	213	3,862	207	5,217	35%	207	5,167	34%	213	5,386	39%
Starling	Specialist	Red	147	3,367	142	5,575	66%	142	5,488	63%	147	5,430	61%
Stock dove	Specialist	Amber	84	607,859	82	636,759	5%	82	637,126	5%	84	598,104	-2%
Whitethroat	Specialist		225	1,576	220	2,037	29%	220	2,142	36%	225	2,126	35%

Table 4.6. Predicted abundance and the percentage difference in predicted abundance from the baseline for woodland species in Wales under three different scenarios of Brexit. Blue and green shading illustrates a percentage increase and decrease, respectively, in abundance of at least 1% from the baseline. Abundances are estimated using only 1km squares that had BBS data in Wales. N = number of 1km squares that had BBS and scenario data.

Species	Generalism/ specialism	List	Baseline		No deal		EU deal		FTA				
			N	Predicted abundance	N	Predicted abundance	Difference from baseline (%)	N	Predicted abundance	Difference from baseline (%)	N	Predicted abundance	Difference from baseline (%)
Blackbird	Generalist		380	7,733	371	7,248	-6%	371	7,323	-5%	380	7,458	-4%
Blue tit	Generalist		349	5,205	341	4,463	-14%	341	4,521	-13%	349	4,471	-14%
Bullfinch	Generalist	Amber	207	1,222	201	1,219	0%	201	1,210	-1%	207	1,253	3%
Chaffinch	Generalist		373	7,067	364	6,376	-10%	364	6,482	-8%	373	6,311	-11%
Dunnock	Generalist	Amber	351	2,451	343	2,964	21%	343	2,870	17%	351	2,838	16%
Great tit	Generalist		353	3,266	345	2,883	-12%	345	2,963	-9%	353	3,016	-8%
Long-tailed tit	Generalist		210	1,641	203	1,711	4%	203	1,721	5%	210	1,736	6%
Robin	Generalist		370	5,649	361	4,962	-12%	361	4,946	-12%	370	5,013	-11%
Song thrush	Generalist	Red	353	2,748	344	1,968	-28%	344	1,997	-27%	353	2,155	-22%
Tawny owl	Generalist	Amber	31	602	30	583	-3%	30	601	0%	31	604	0%
Wren	Generalist		385	7,379	376	6,532	-11%	376	6,411	-13%	385	6,574	-11%
Blackcap	Specialist		306	2,428	297	2,088	-14%	297	2,004	-17%	306	2,154	-11%
Chiffchaff	Specialist		334	2,848	326	2,234	-22%	326	2,238	-21%	334	2,265	-20%
Coal tit	Specialist		213	1,499	208	946	-37%	208	933	-38%	213	1,075	-28%
Garden warbler	Specialist		165	1,039	159	814	-22%	159	824	-21%	165	834	-20%
Goldcrest	Specialist		236	1,743	230	1,217	-30%	230	1,202	-31%	236	1,328	-24%
Great spotted woodpecker	Specialist		266	1,012	258	915	-10%	258	927	-8%	266	938	-7%
Green woodpecker	Specialist		125	660	123	559	-15%	123	565	-14%	125	565	-14%
Jay	Specialist		225	945	220	841	-11%	220	838	-11%	225	856	-9%
Nuthatch	Specialist		214	1,659	210	1,372	-17%	210	1,407	-15%	214	1,427	-14%
Redstart	Specialist	Amber	193	1,734	190	1,524	-12%	190	1,657	-4%	193	1,569	-10%
Spotted flycatcher	Specialist		81	825	80	721	-13%	80	728	-12%	81	711	-14%
Tree pipit	Specialist	Red	103	1,854	100	1,687	-9%	100	1,732	-7%	103	1,854	0%
Treecreeper	Specialist		150	769	148	742	-4%	148	746	-3%	150	736	-4%
Willow warbler	Specialist	Amber	334	3,829	325	2,912	-24%	325	2,939	-23%	334	3,083	-19%

Table 4.7. Predicted abundance and the percentage difference in predicted abundance from the baseline for water and wetland species in Wales under three different scenarios of Brexit. Blue and green shading illustrates a percentage increase and decrease, respectively, in abundance of at least 1% from the baseline. Abundances are estimated using only 1km squares that had BBS data in Wales. N = number of 1km squares that had BBS and scenario data.

Species	Generalism/ specialism	List	Baseline			No deal			EU deal			FTA		
			N	Predicted abundance	Difference from baseline (%)	N	Predicted abundance	Difference from baseline (%)	N	Predicted abundance	Difference from baseline (%)	N	Predicted abundance	Difference from baseline (%)
Dipper	Fast flowing water	Amber	46	751	-7%	46	702	-1%	46	711	-5%			
Reed bunting	Reedbeds	Amber	91	983	52%	89	1,496	60%	91	1,562	59%			
Sedge warbler	Reedbeds		58	2,104	159%	56	5,456	115%	58	5,191	147%			
Mallard	Slow & standing water	Amber	158	2,086	-5%	155	1,980	4%	158	2,175	4%			
Moorhen	Slow & standing water		48	3,622	40%	46	5,054	43%	48	5,228	44%			
Grey heron	Other		74	576	1%	71	580	14%	74	621	8%			

Table 4.8. Predicted abundance and the percentage difference in predicted abundance from the baseline for species not listed as habitat indicators in Wales under three different scenarios of Brexit. Blue and green shading illustrates a percentage increase and decrease, respectively, in abundance of at least 1% from the baseline. Abundances are estimated using only 1km squares that had BBS data in Wales. N = number of 1km squares that had BBS and scenario data.

Species	List	Baseline		No deal			EU deal		FTA			
		N	Predicted abundance	N	Predicted abundance	Difference from baseline (%)	N	Predicted abundance	Difference from baseline (%)	N	Predicted abundance	Difference from baseline (%)
Buzzard		296	856	291	757	-12%	291	783	-9%	296	758	-11%
Canada goose		85	2,000	83	1,956	-2%	83	1,897	-5%	85	1,961	-2%
Carriorn crow		378	6,137	371	7,011	14%	371	7,232	18%	378	6,668	9%
Collared dove		184	1,795	178	2,810	57%	178	2,713	51%	184	2,790	55%
Cuckoo	Red	169	739	164	707	-4%	164	735	-1%	169	731	-1%
Grasshopper warbler	Red	57	1,039	57	814	-22%	57	824	-21%	57	834	-20%
House sparrow	Red	275	7,828	269	10,708	37%	269	9,912	27%	275	10,098	29%
Magpie		319	2,559	313	2,997	17%	313	3,021	18%	319	2,945	15%
Meadow pipit	Amber	220	4,925	215	5,754	17%	215	6,270	27%	220	5,708	16%
Pheasant		250	2,441	245	1,915	-22%	245	2,050	-16%	250	2,022	-17%
Pied wagtail		308	1,288	299	1,417	10%	299	1,461	13%	308	1,383	7%
Stonechat		133	1,289	130	1,384	7%	130	1,492	16%	133	1,438	12%
Swallow		269	3,009	263	3,659	22%	263	3,669	22%	269	3,685	22%
Wheatear		170	1,373	165	1,928	40%	165	2,084	52%	170	1,871	36%
Whinchat	Red	52	883	51	1,892	114%	51	1,012	15%	52	982	11%

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